



NOAA Teacher at Sea
Karolyn Braun
Onboard NOAA Ship KA'IMIMOANA
October 6 – 28, 2006

NOAA Teacher at Sea: Karolyn Braun
NOAA Ship KA'IMIMOANA
Mission: TAO Buoy Array Maintenance
Thursday, October 26, 2006

Plan of the Day

Assist the stewards in creating culinary masterpieces

Woke up and was in the kitchen at 5:30 a.m.

The Breakfast menu:

Pancakes

Omelets

Sausage

Bacon

Eggs Benedict

Breakfast potatoes

Frittata

Breakfast Sandwiches

It was the first time I made Eggs Benedict and I tell you the sauce is a killer. You have to continually whisk the melted butter while adding the egg yolks. If you don't, the mixture separates and you lose your sauce. I thought all was lost, but I was able to bring it back and ended up making one mean Eggs Benedict! Everyone seemed happy with his or her breakfast to order. As soon as breakfast was over we cleaned up and started preparing for lunch. I thought working with the deck crew was hot and sweaty work but the kitchen blew that out of the water.

Mexican Fiesta Lunch menu:

Pork Green Chili

Veggie Fajita

Refried beans

Super Nachos

Beef Fajitas

And all the fixings



TAS Braun shows off her Eggs Benedict.



Some crewmembers of the KA'IMIMOANA enjoy some of TAS Braun's cooking.

Lunch went well and things slowed up after everyone left. We cleaned the kitchen and started preparing for dinner but it was at a more leisurely pace. For dinner I made garlic chicken with spinach noodles, Steak with Spanish rice and some leftovers from lunch. I finished my day around 5:30 when I took a much-needed shower and a 20-minute power nap. Woke up to watch them drop the anchor to the TAO buoy at 8N.170W. Is it bedtime yet?

I have to give the stewards of all the NOAA ships lots of credit. They work long hard days, and from my experience, always with a smile.